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WEST ROXBURY ACADEMY

2012-2013

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THE WRA PLEDGE

We the students, teachers, and community pledge to work to the very best of our ability, to honor the rules and expectations of West Roxbury Academy.
To respect oneself and our community.

To celebrate the diversity at West Roxbury Academy and beyond.

To participate with an open heart and an open mind.

To aspire to gain new wisdom.

To serve our fellow human beings.

To do our best to build a strong future for ourselves, our school, and the world.

Created by Mrs. Quinones and Mrs. Snodgrass

West Roxbury Academy

West Roxbury, Massachusetts

Dear Class of 2013,

Thank you! Thank you for allowing the teachers, the staff, and me to play a small part in getting you to this moment in history. You are my "fighters" – a strong willed and independent group of scholars. I know that you are ready for the world ahead; I'm not sure if the world is ready for all of you and your many talents.

The mission of West Roxbury Academy is to provide a rigorous curriculum with an emphasis on business, graphic arts, and marketing that helps to prepare students for college, careers, and service. Like most visions, an ideal only truly takes shape when enacted. In the two years that we have had together becoming a school community, you have helped define the school's mission by giving its shape and purpose.

Collectively, you have helped to shape the business program curriculum; I still can't look at the TV Show *Shark Tank* without thinking of your bright smiles as you presented your business plans. It's through your prodding, that I danced in front of a cafeteria full of students making myself more human and endearing to some. The Friday news broadcasts and the various shirt sales all assisted in strengthening the marketing theme.

As a teacher, I believe that teaching is reciprocal; meaning that I learn from the students as they learn from me. I have learned much about my school from my interactions with you. Seniors, go forward, knowing that you have left the strong mark of success on this school.

Go forward with the words of William Ernest Henley's famous poem, Invictus:

It matters not how strait the gate
How charged with punishments the scroll
[You are] the master of my fate
[You are] the captain of my soul.

Thank you again for allowing me to play even a small part in your future successes, of which I am sure there will be many!

Proudly,

Rudolph Weekes
Headmaster
West Roxbury Academy

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HEADMASTER RUDOLPH "RUDY" WEEKES

ASSISTANT HEADMASTER GRACE DIGGS

ASSISTANT HEADMASTER SONIE FELIX

YEAR OF 2012-2013

SENIOR ADVISOR

MS. ARLENE SAIA

MRS. DEMETRA STAVRIANIDIS

YEARBOOK

MS. PATIENCE TEMPLE

COVER ART

CHRISTOPHER WATSON
"FRIENDSHIP"
SHAWN MORRIS
"YELLOW ROSE OF HOPE"

YEARBOOK STAFF

AUDREY BOURJOLLY
(FOR HER LAST MINUTE INSIGHTS)
MACKALA MCPHERSON
HERNAN MELO
ELIAS RICHA
YOUR EFFORTS WERE NOTED!

SPECIAL THANKS

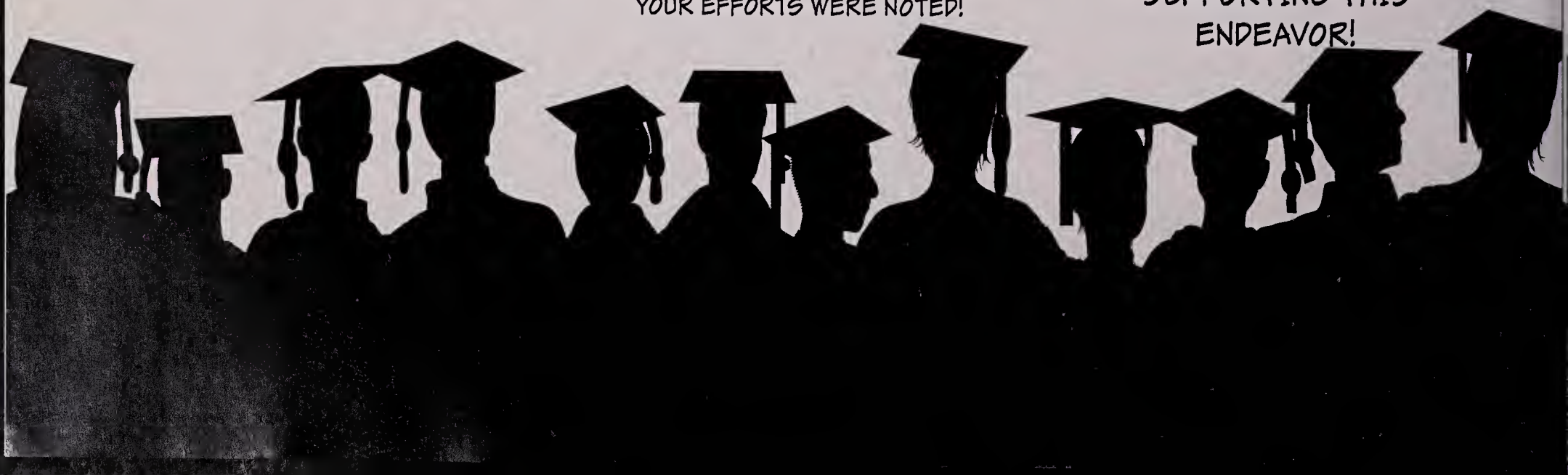
MR. PATRICK O'CONNOR

MR. JEAN NOZEA

MR. ALAN HUMBERT

MS. MARISA BOBER

TEACHERS AND STAFF MEMBERS FOR SUPPORTING THIS ENDEAVOR!



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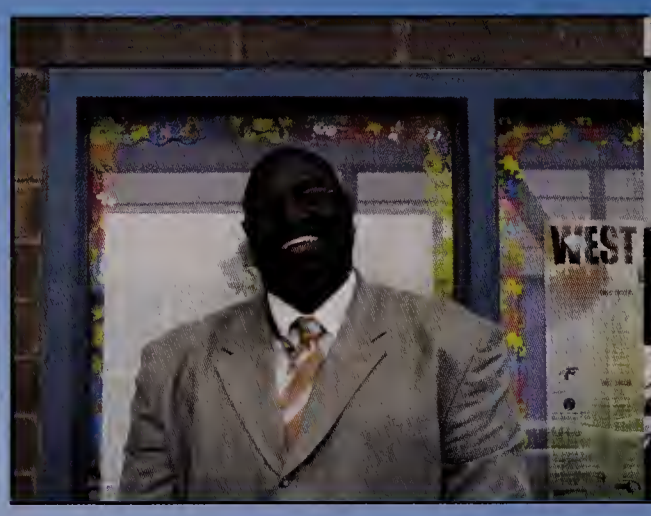

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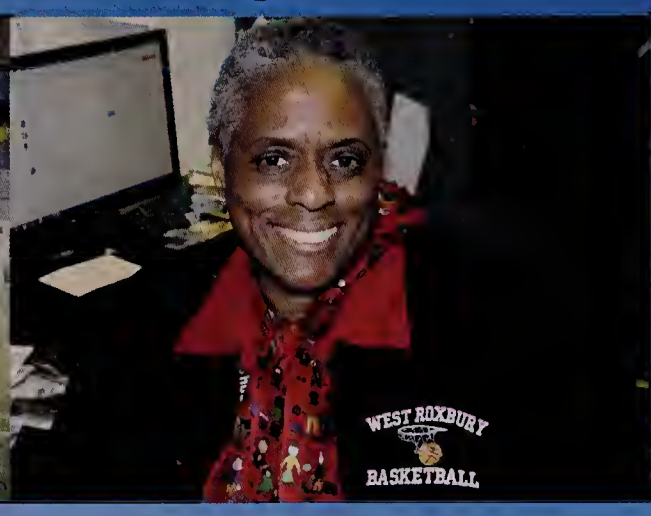
Headmaster



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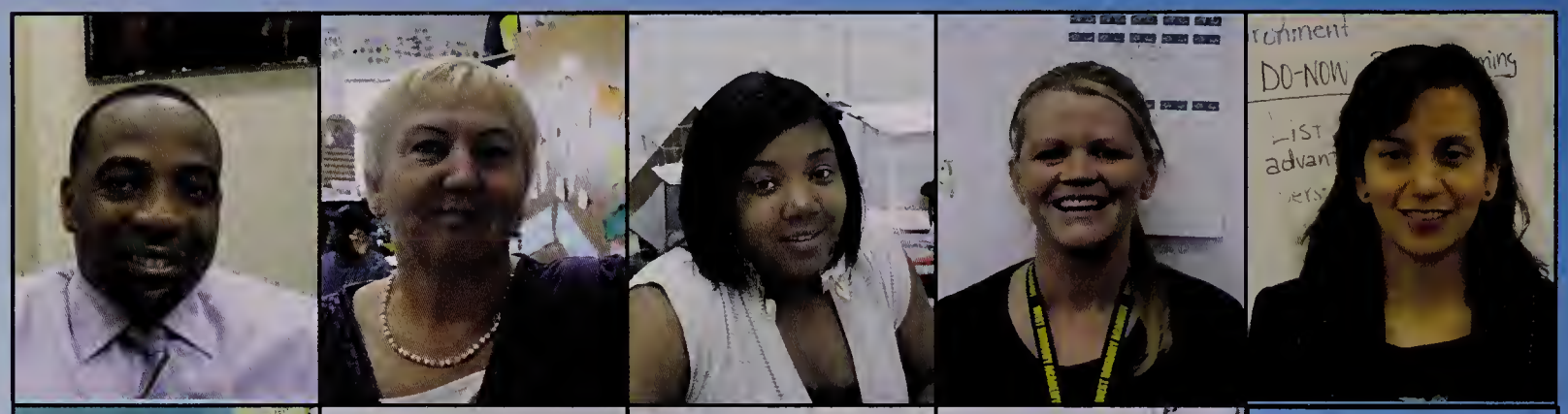
Assistant Headmaster

Ms. Sonie Felix
Assistant Headmaster



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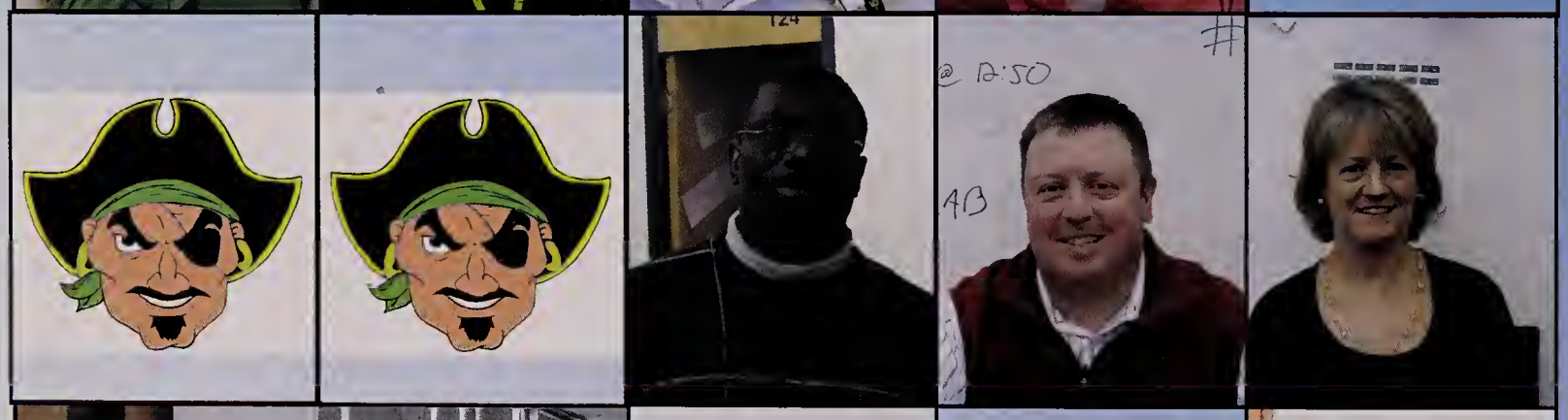

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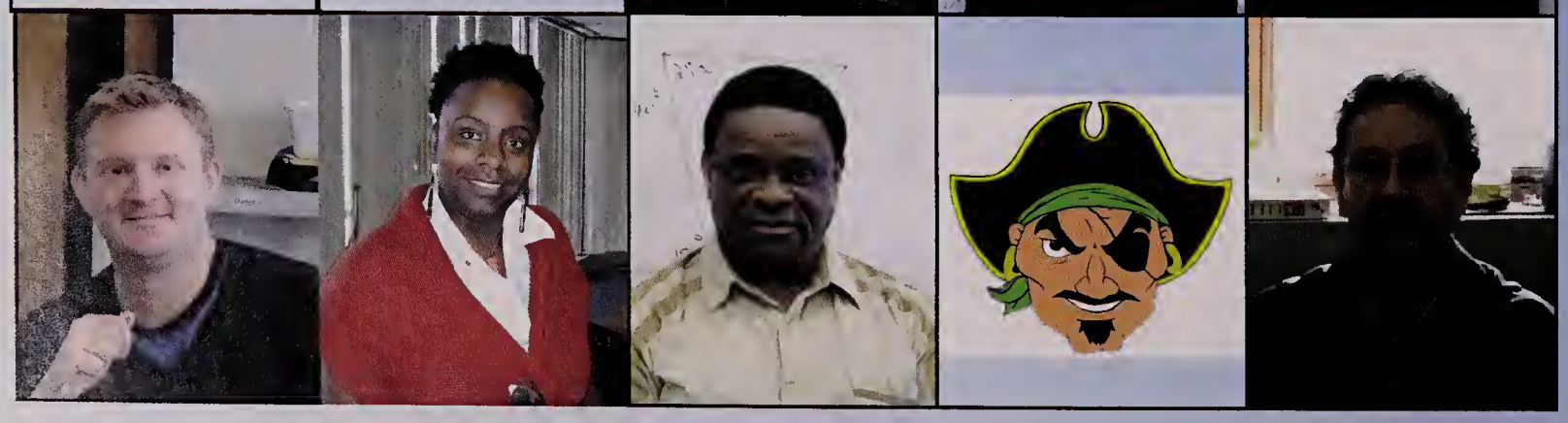

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Faculty & Staff

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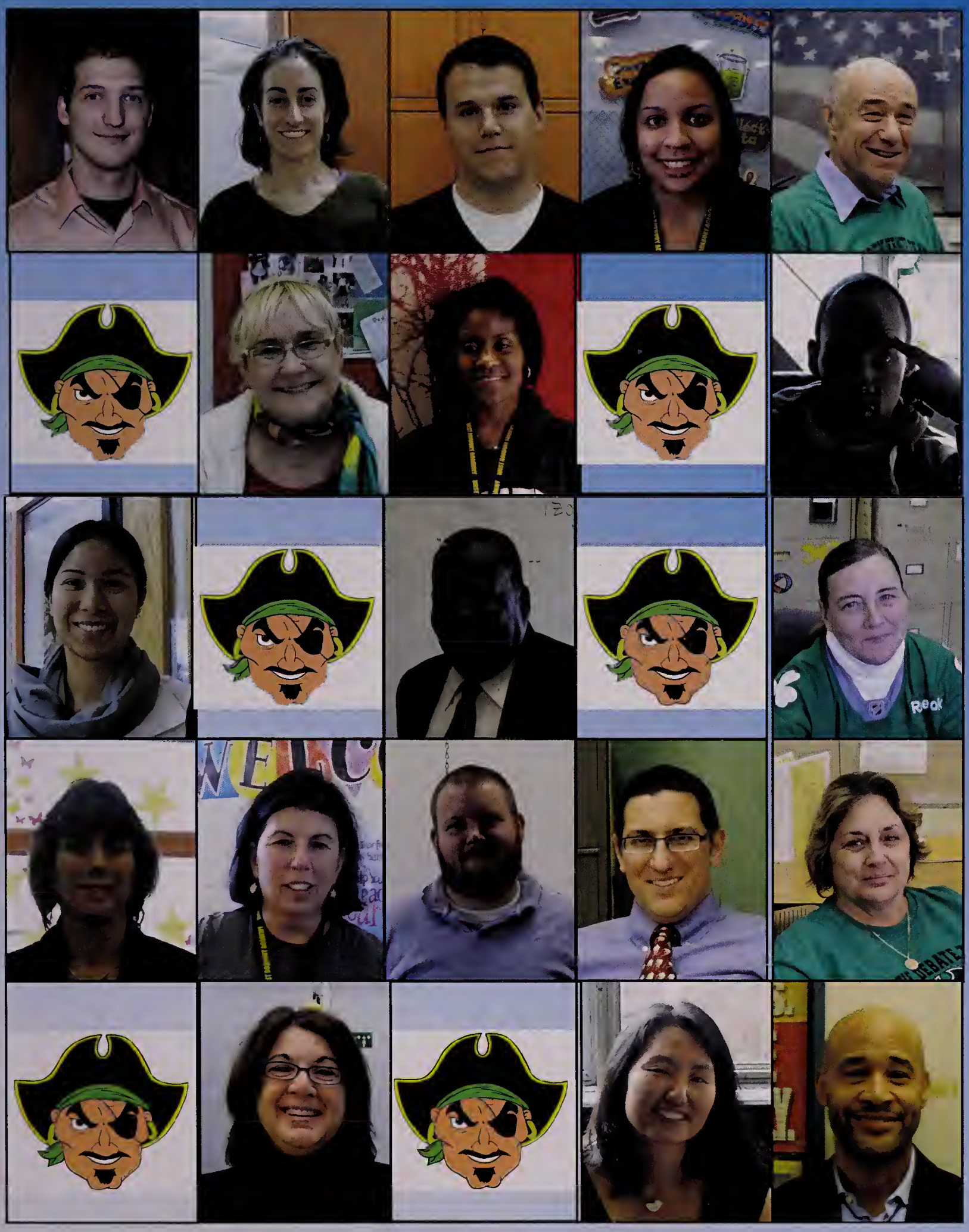

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Kemp, Paul L.

Lafontant, Angela
Koech, Roselaine
Lavarin, Antoine
Hurley, Cynthia
McAdams, Sarah

McCloud, Linda
McCobb, Ann
McDonald, Daniel
McGonigle, Kevin
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Neville Jr., Donald

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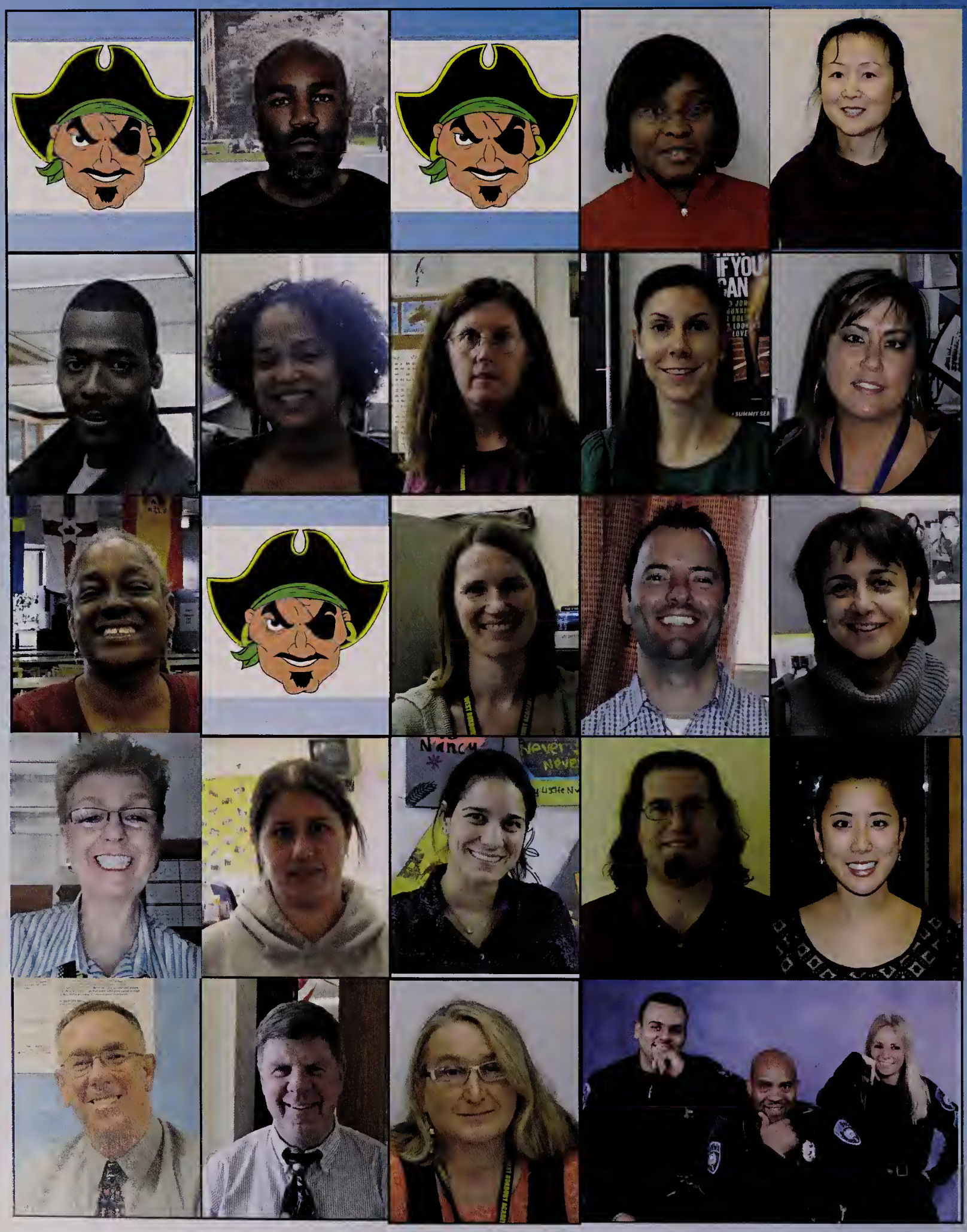

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Porter, Kareem
Quiones, Francellia
Richmond, Madeline
Ripston, Erin
Saia, Arlene

Sisco, Jeannette
(Retired)
Kane, Karen
Snodgrass, Katherine
Somers, Martin
Stavrianidis, Demetra

Temple, Patience
Tesoro, Nicole
Timilty, Jennifer
Trossello, Andrew
Wang, Julie

Webber, Richard
Wison, Cliff
Wood, Dolores
Wladimir, Sterling
Mercado, Wilson
Wright, Derek
Cirino, Laura

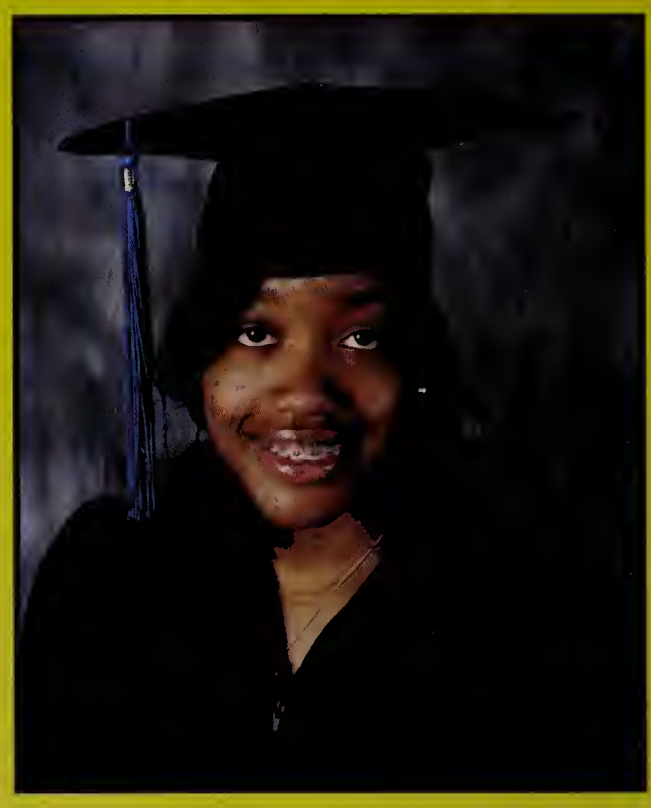
Hope
What if the cure for cancer was trapped inside a mind of an individual who can't afford an education.

SCIENCE

WRA SENIORS 2013

Salah Yusuf

Hanifah Abdulbarr



Theresa Abreu

Myhan Adams

Jeniepher Aguirre

Black Alex Alexandre

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Sierra Alford

Robert Ambroise

Emmanuella Anacreon

Jose Andrades Jr

Yesenia Ariaspena

Jonathan Arroyo

WRA SENIORS 2013

Ashley Baez

John Baez

Shadee Belfleur

Lesly Bellamy

Hugues Boucher

Audrey Bourjolly

WRA SENIORS 2013

Peter Burthwright

Darveens Toffer Calixte

Luis Capriles

Kaitlyn Carmenatty

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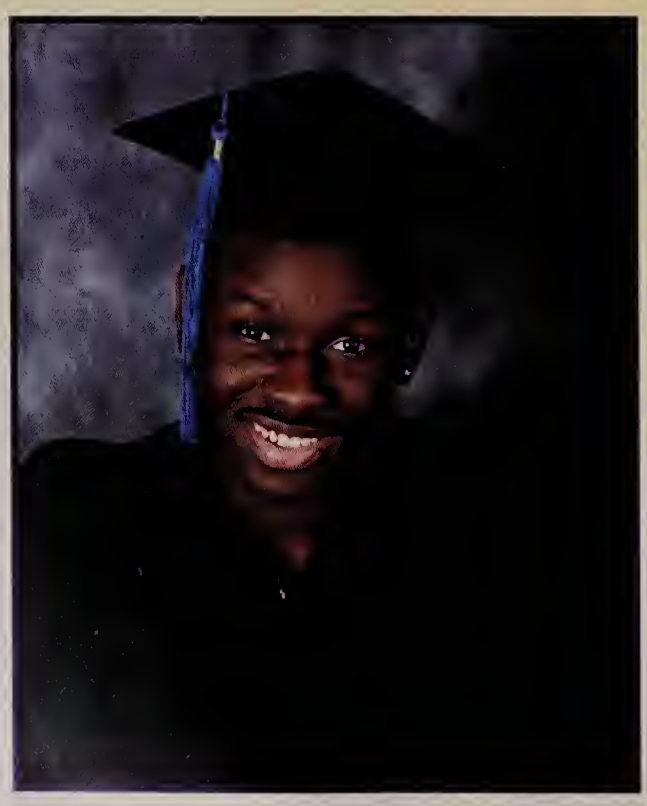
Nathaly Ceron

Katherine Chavez

Branden Clark



Jayson Coloma

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Felix Colon Jr

Lewis Crespo

Kemcy Dalleygrand

Kiran David

Jordan Dawkins

Marven Destrade

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Darley Dieudonne

Delorah Dieudonne

Jeffrey Dominguez

Michael Downes

Johanna Dume

Shakaira Elie

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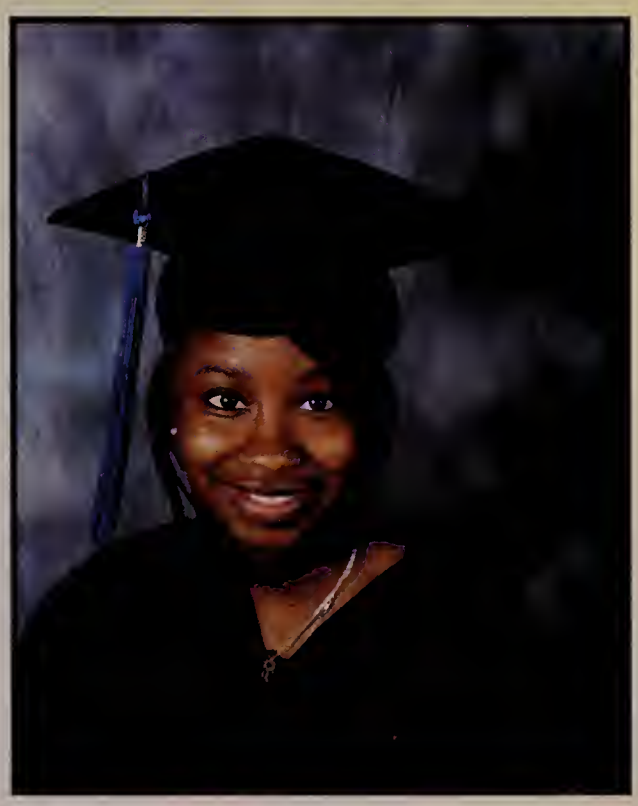
Avery English

Shirelle Eutsay

Gianna Evangelista

Carolina Feliz

Brooklyn Finch



Alain Francois

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Jose Angie Francois

Giana Garcia

Selena Gonzalez

Esteban Greenaway

Cadetra Gross

Brianna Hardy

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Berthony Henri

Jaime Hernandez

Esther Jackson

Maruthska Jean

Nephtalie Jean

Darius Jennings

WRA SENIORS 2013

Jovan Johnson

Jordan Jose

Sebastian Joseph

Michael Kelly

Nathalie Lamour

Matthew Lara

WRA SENIORS 2013

Wildin Lara

Jennifer Lizardo

Catherine Lopes

Alejandro Lopez

Dashka Louis

Tania Lozada

WRA SENIORS 2013

Stamenley Luc

Brandon Maclean

Joana Martinstabora

Mackala McPherson

Marlyn Mejia

Hernan Melo

WRA SENIORS 2013

Ingrid Mile

Shawn Morris

Angelique Murphy

Kenny Nguyen

Franceska Olivier

Yohanny Ortega

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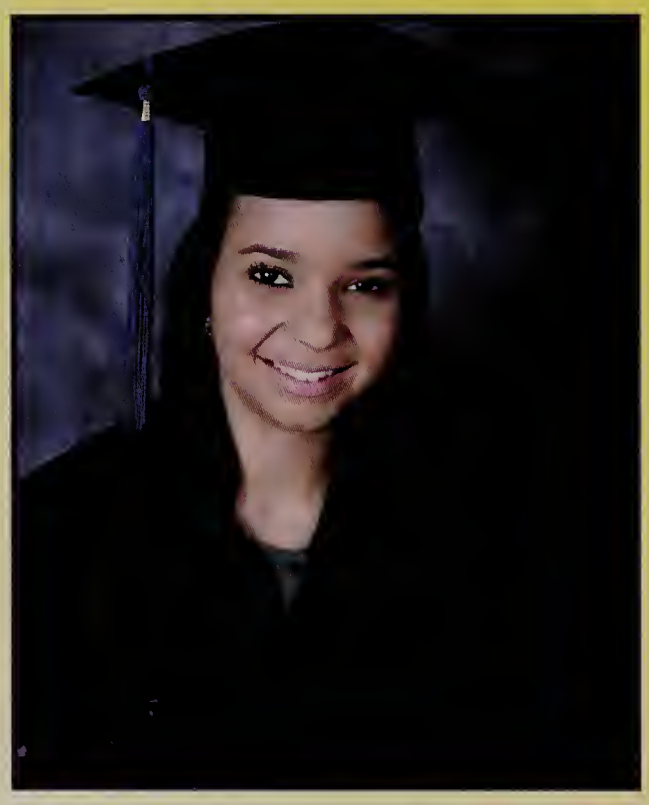
Maurice Parnell

Kadijha Pearson

Astrid
Pina Montero



Janna
Penapolanco

Fernando
Perallon

Jared Peralta

WRA SENIORS 2013

Nadege Philogene

Carlz Roody Pierre

Masinio Pierre

Tatiana Pierre

David Rankins

Michael Reid

WRA SENIORS 2013

Laura Ribeiro

Elias Richa

Yossmill Rivera

Carl Gamaliel Saint Jean

Ricardo Saint Jean

Marissa Serrette

WRA SENIORS 2013

Karl Sinfirmin

Tatiana Smith

Kevin Son

Lauren Sorrell-Ward

Bruce Soto

Genesis Soto

WRA SENIORS 2013

Nikkia Stotts

Kachiri Suarez

Jose Suazovillar

Ruth Thermidor

Bethsaida Toussaint

Samantha Uzarek

WRA SENIORS 2013

Ashley Vaval

Francisco Velez

Olivier Victor

Erica Villareyna

Christopher Watson

Jamila Wiggins

WRA SENIORS 2013

Emmanuella Anacreon

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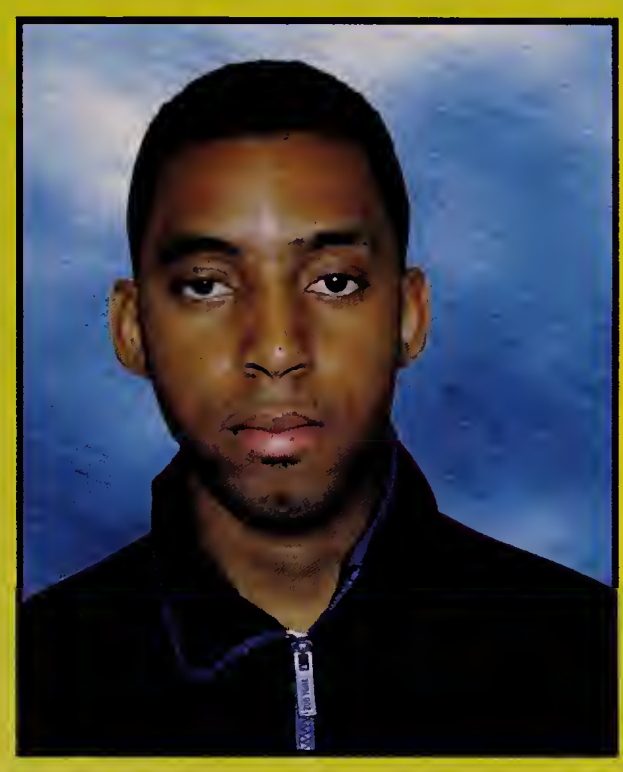
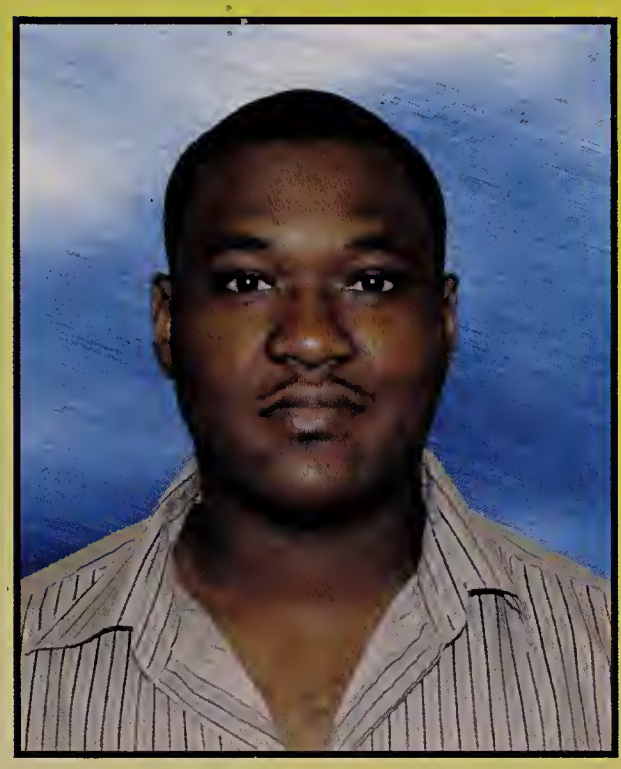
WRA SENIORS 2013

Stanley Cazeau

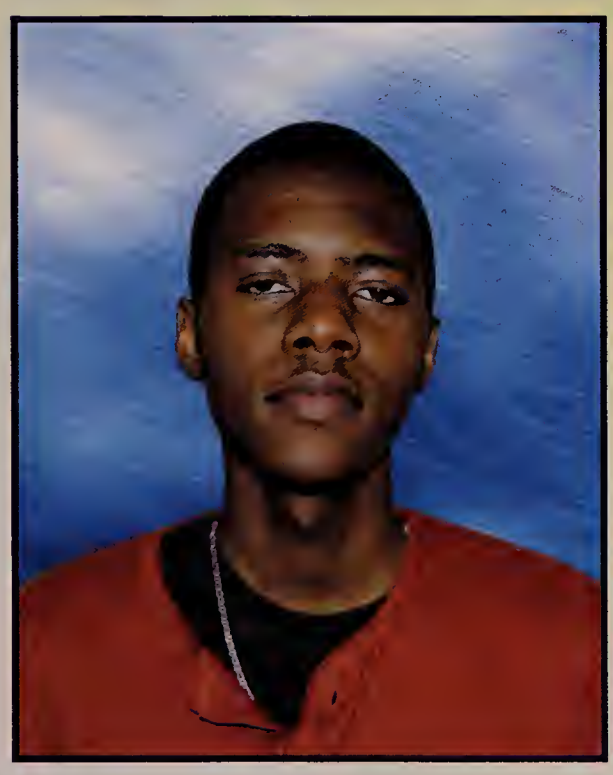
Center Junior Desamour



Wydner Fleury



Sloane R. Riviere



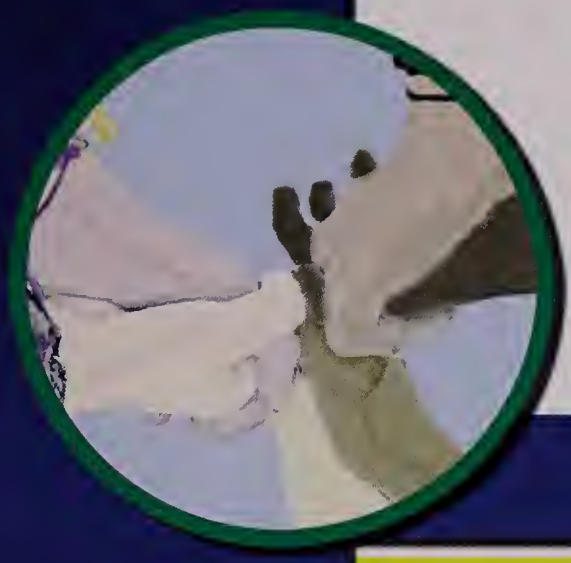
Justin Shuley

WRA SENIORS 2013

Seniors not pictured*

Vanicha Bellegarde
Lucien Burton
Raymond Coxlong
Mateo Dibranaj
Yacarlo Feliz Perez
Javier Giatan
Christina Gonzalez
Elvira Granados
Angela Hayes
Zakisha Horton
Chevrick Humber
Niyat Jada
Ayesha Johnson
Aaliyah Mendes
Jennifer Nesmith
Linda Nguyen McCab
Lillibeth Pena
Yaritza Penadiaz
Kavon Perry
Shannon Robertson
Jahquan Singletary
Karina Tejeda Santan
Jean Thide
Demetrius Thomas
Melanie Torres

*Our sincerest apologies if anyone was left out.



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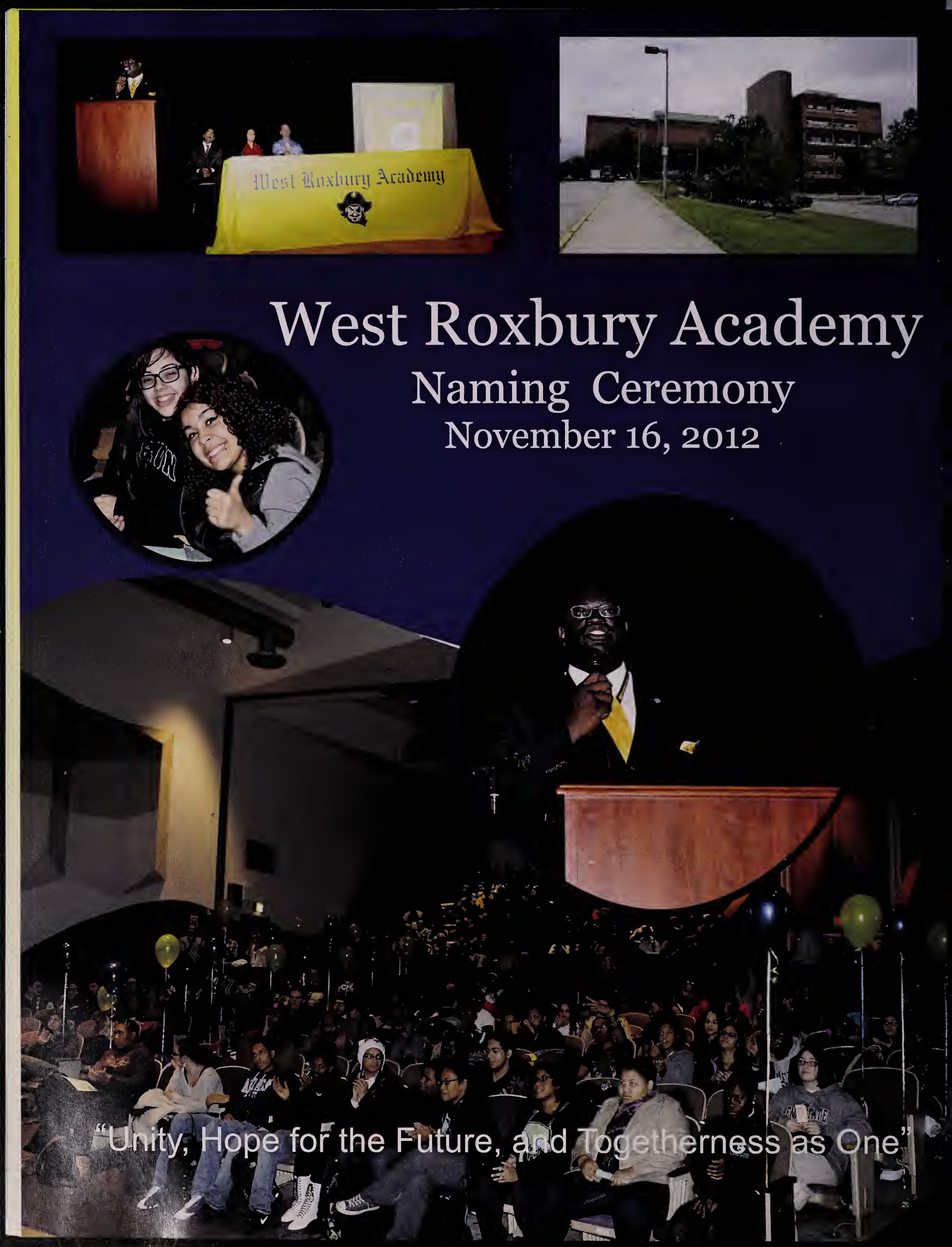
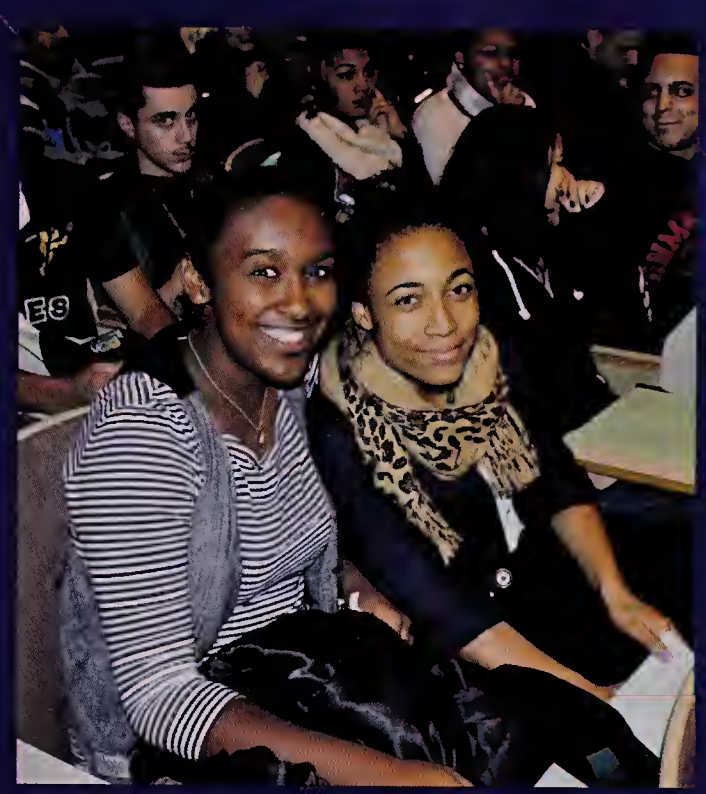
West Roxbury Academy

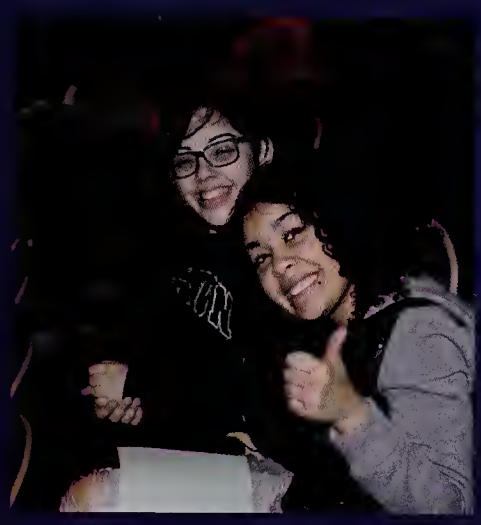
Naming Ceremony

November 16, 2012



"Unity, Hope for the Future, and Togetherness as One"





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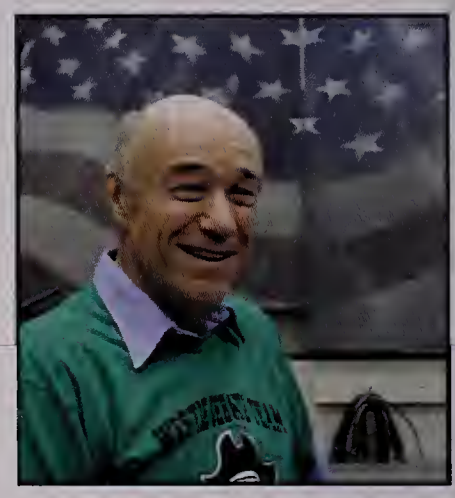


MR. HUMBERT
DEBATE
COACH

National Honor Society

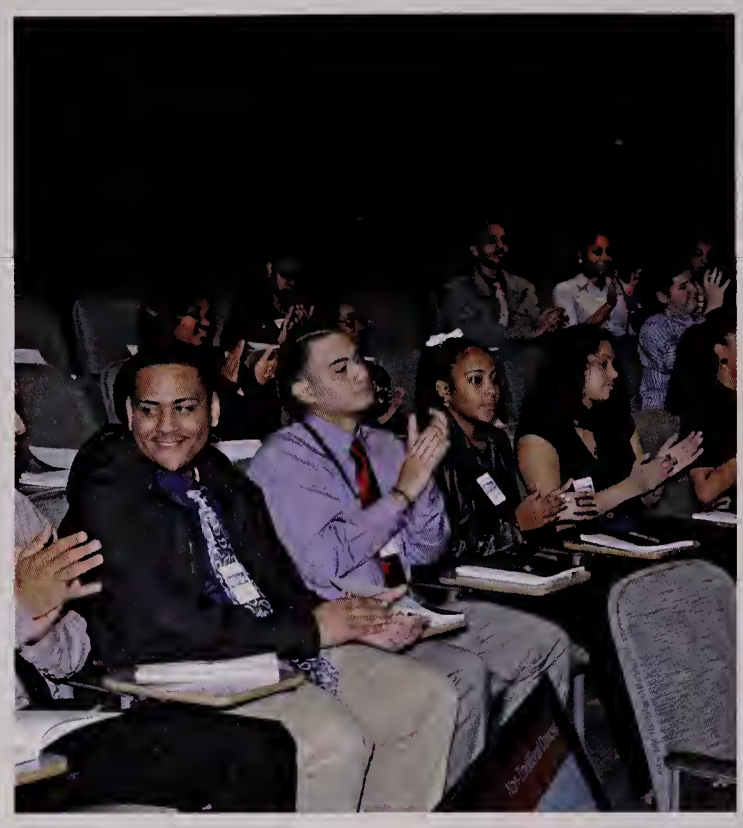
The National Honor Society is an organization for students who maintain high GPAs and are interested in service to their school and community.

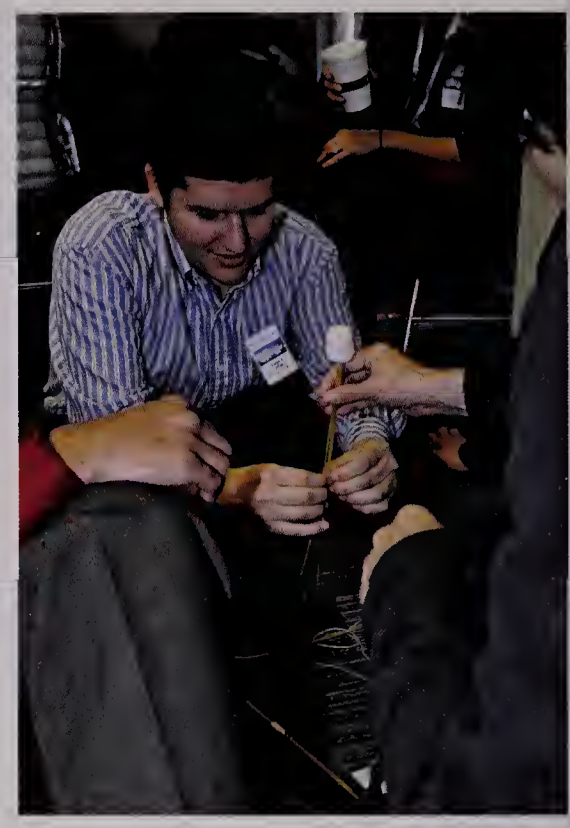
NHS also held a Pennies for Patients fundraiser where they raised money for people with Leukemia, and they sponsored a Red Cross Food Can Drive.

President:
Heidi Cartagena

Advisors:
Ms. Snodgrass &
Ms. Burke

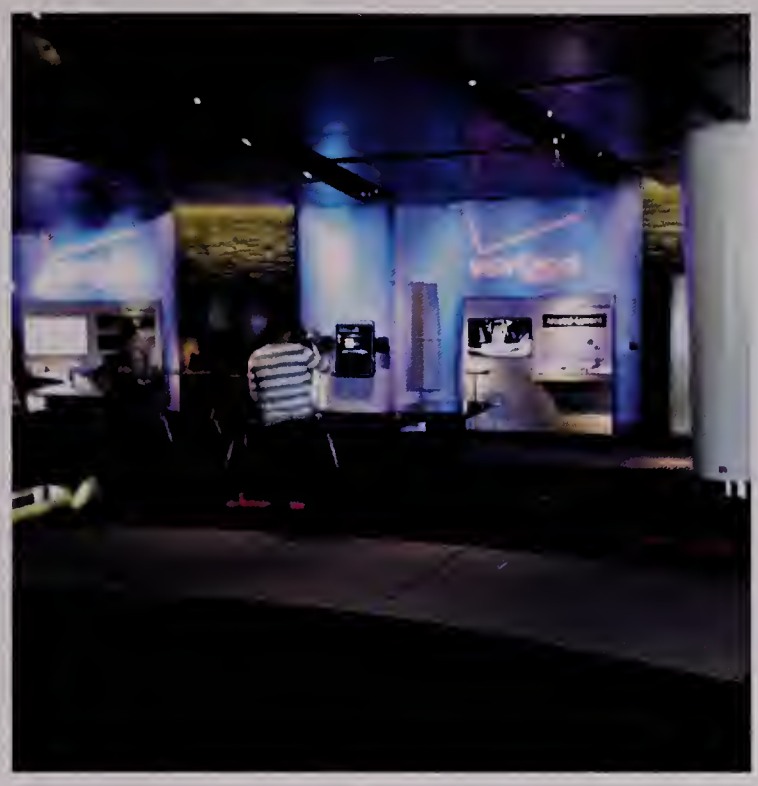
National Academy Foundation



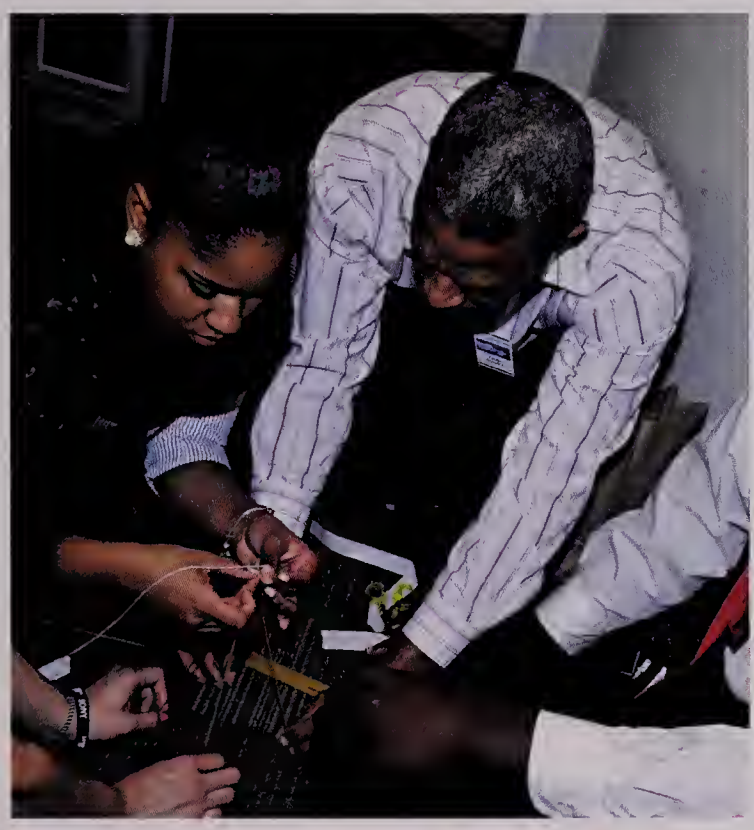


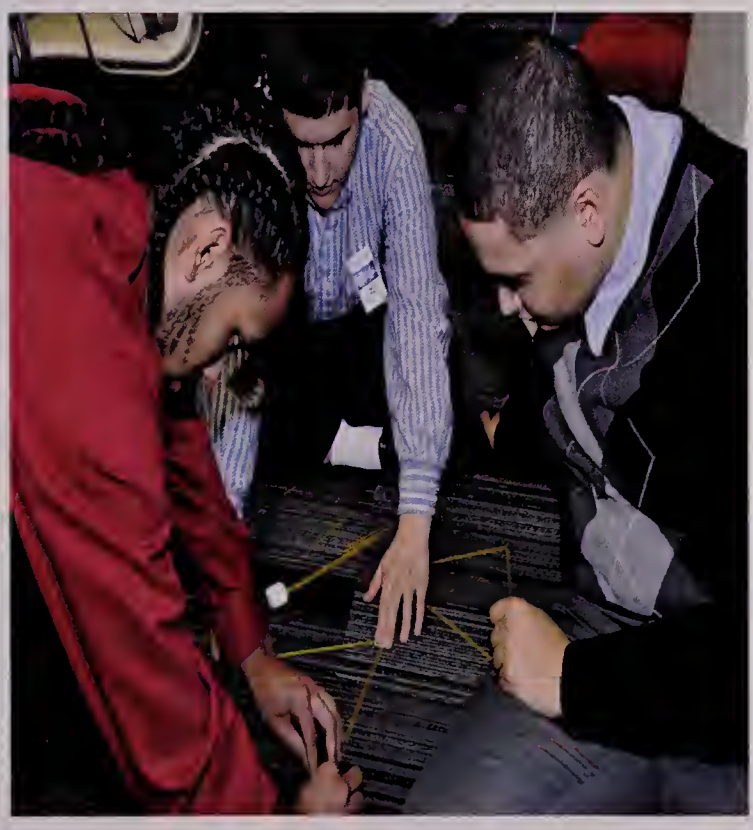
The ***National Academy Foundation*** (NAF) is a leader in the movement to prepare young people for college and career success.

The ***Academy of Finance*** at West Roxbury Academy connects high school students with the world of financial services, offering a curriculum that covers banking and credit, financial planning, international finance, securities, insurance, accounting, and economics.



WRA students got a first hand look at how technology will be changing the future with a field trip to the Verizon Innovation Center in Waltham. Verizon employees talked with students about working as a team, careers in technology, and finding a passionate career path.





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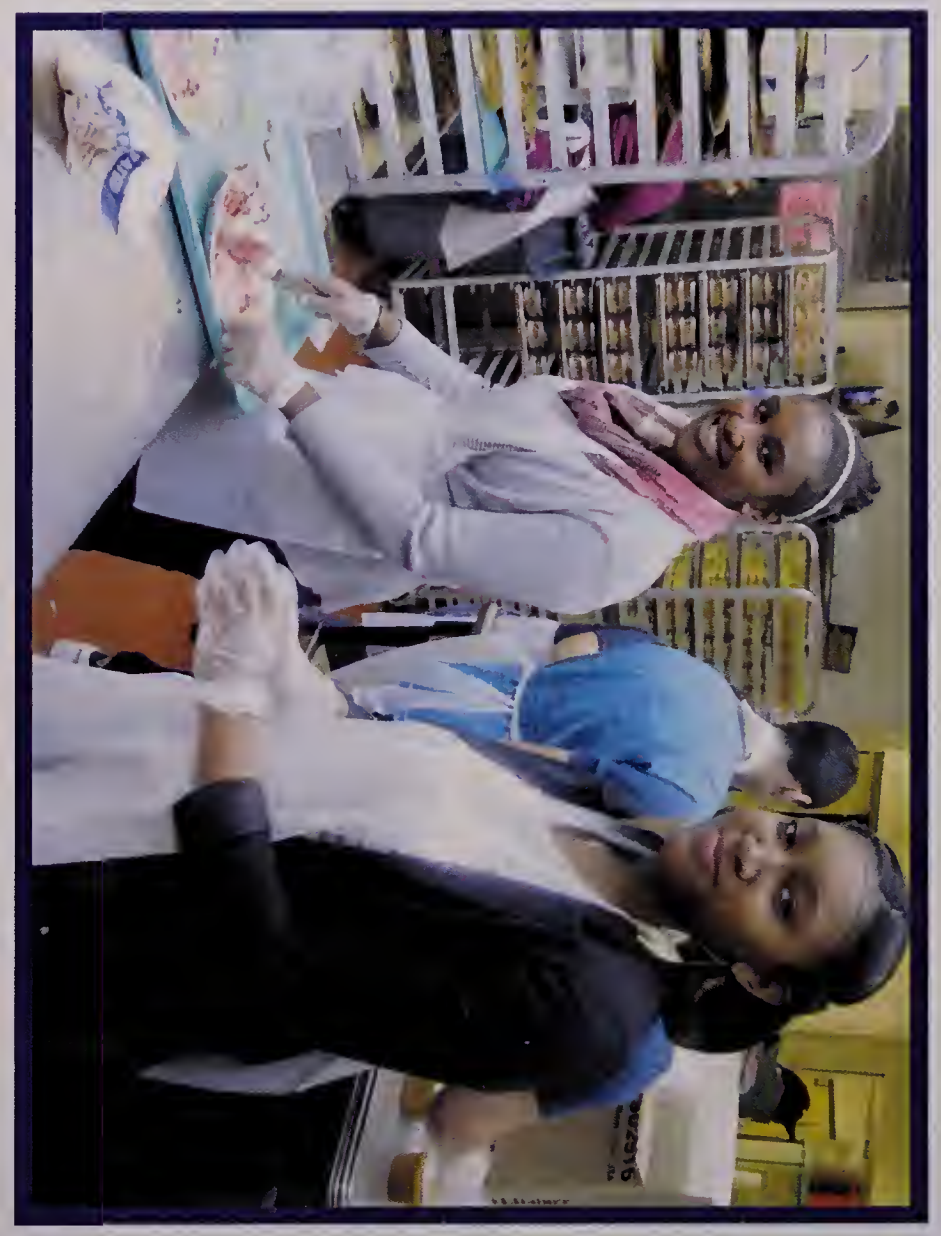


WRA Students Volunteer

Where We Go:
Cradle to Crayons in Brighton American Red Cross Food Pantry
Community Servings, Jamaica Plain
St. Ambrose Family Shelter

Ms. Jones
Advisor
Humanities Teacher

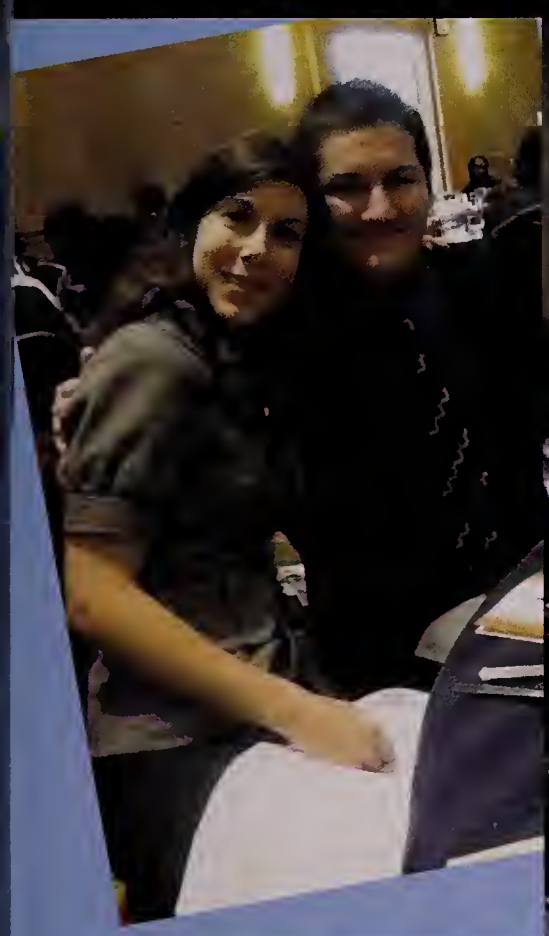
MUSIC CLUB

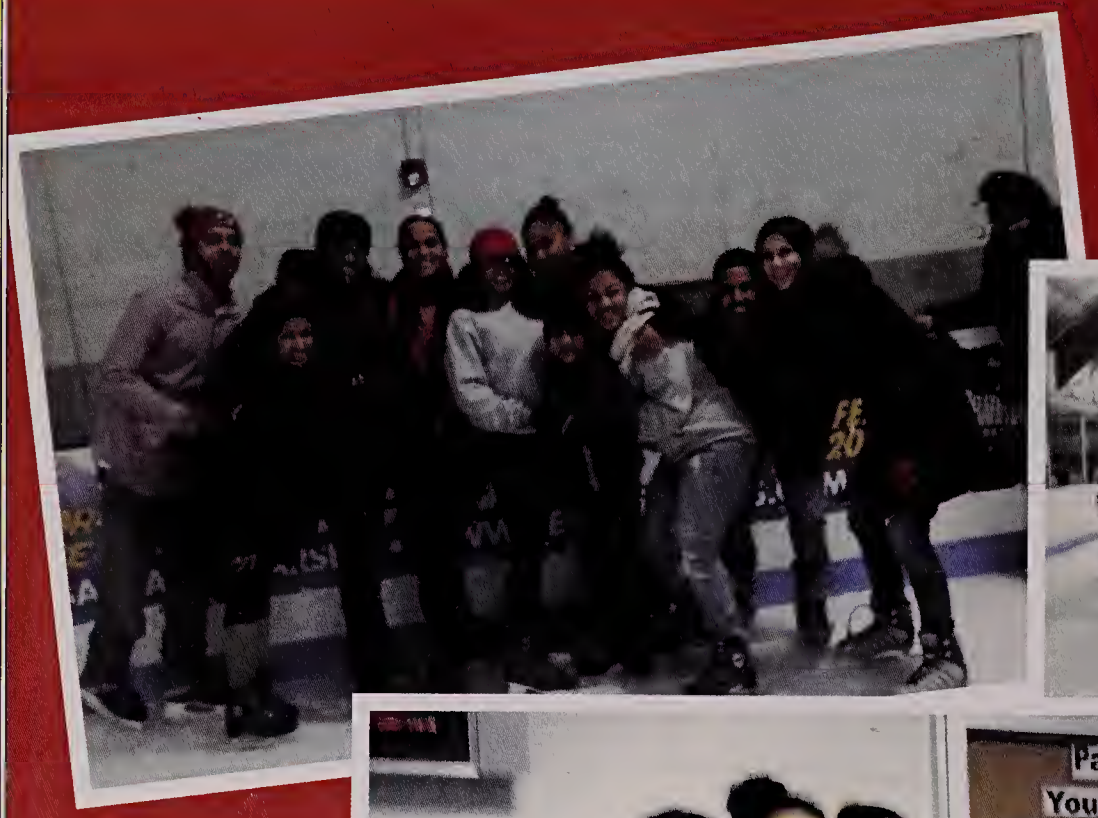
Left to right: Mr. Trossello, Mr. Healy, Erick Gomez, Ari White-Garnett, Lorien Phillips, Felix Colon, Lesly Bellamy, Lori Phillips, Cheyenne Irby

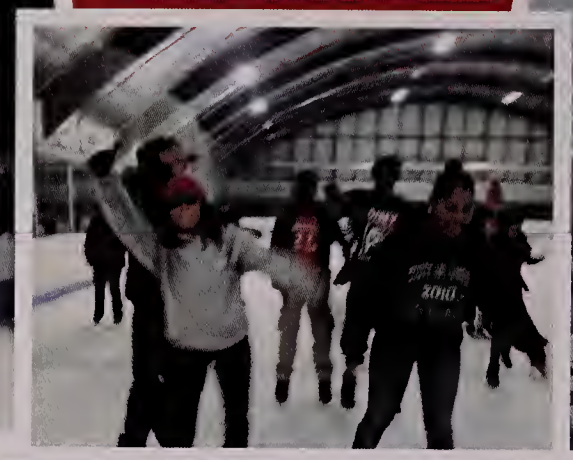
NABA STUDENT CONFERENCE

Bethesda, Maryland

OCTOBER 4-7, 2012



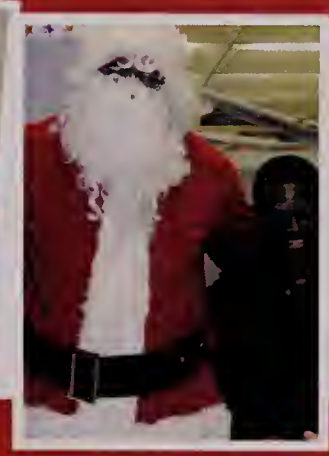




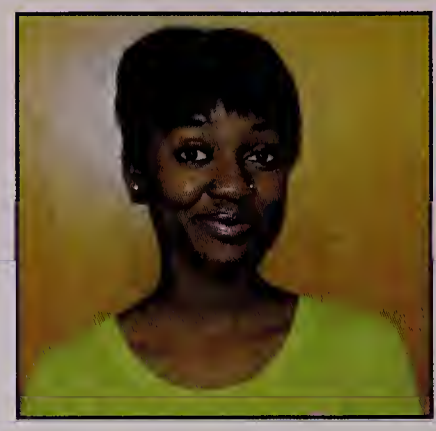
Senior Skate!

December 2012

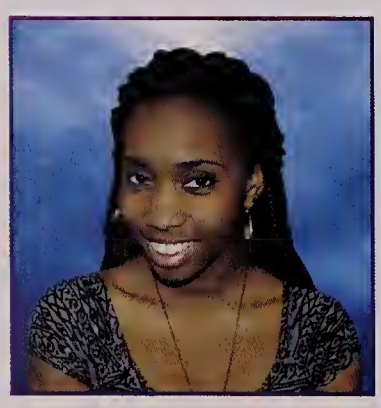
Naughty or Nice?!?

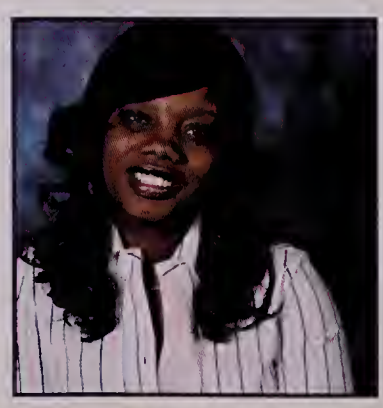


Ms. Darius-Jean
Advisor



Haitian Club





SCHOOL STORE

Mrs. Demetra Stravrianidis
Senior Advisor

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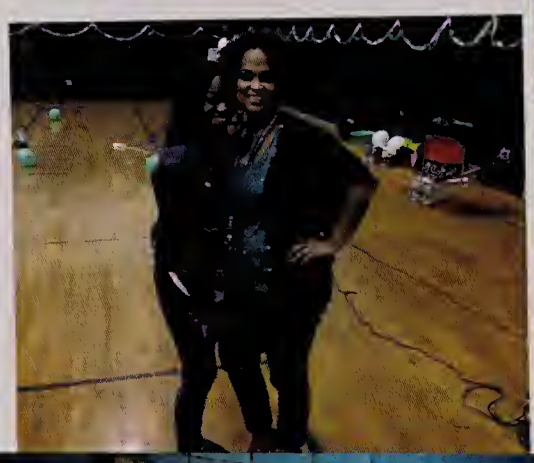
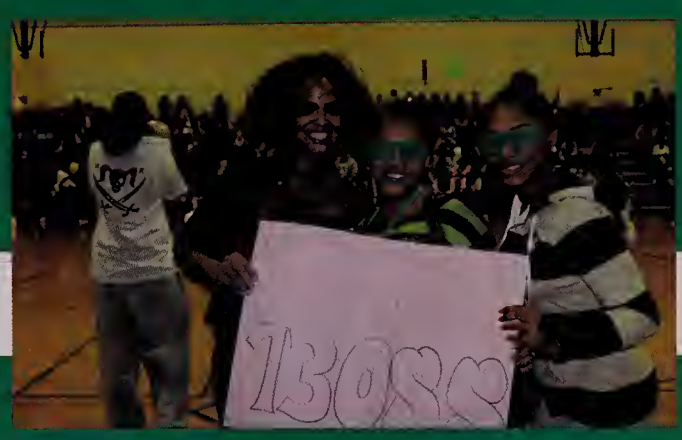
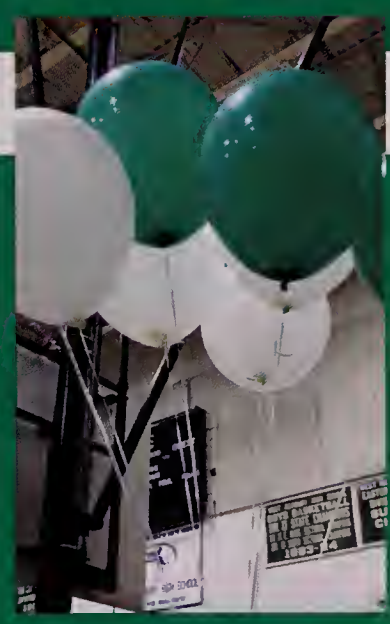
PEP RALLY

The entire West Roxbury Academy staff and students cheered on the Raider Football team at a Pep Rally in October of 2012! From glowsticks to balloons, it was a perfect time to give support for our football team!

GO RAIDERS!







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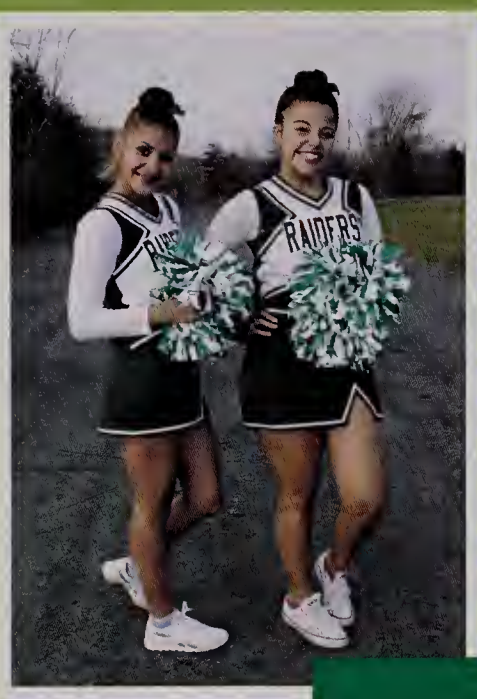
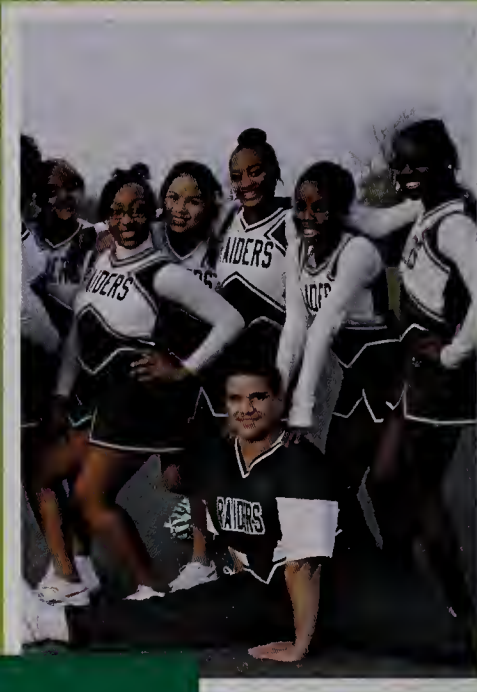




CHEERLEADING

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Ms. Bello
Coach

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Dr. Cayemite
Coach

MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION II GIRLS INDOOR TRACK STATE CHAMPIONS 1993-94
SOFTBALL BOSTON CITY CO-CHAMPIONS DIVISION I 1986
BASEBALL BOSTON CITY CHAMPIONS DIVISION I 1984
BASEBALL BOSTON CITY CHAMPIONS DIVISION I 1985
MIAA
WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL
BOYS BASKETBALL
WEST ROXBURY
SWEAT NOTHING

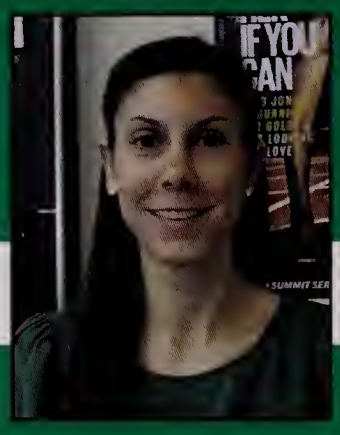
Girls Softball

Coach Diggs said that many of the girls from last year have returned to play this season. She said that she is confident and she hopes "that we can come together now that we have a group of girls who have been working together for a while."

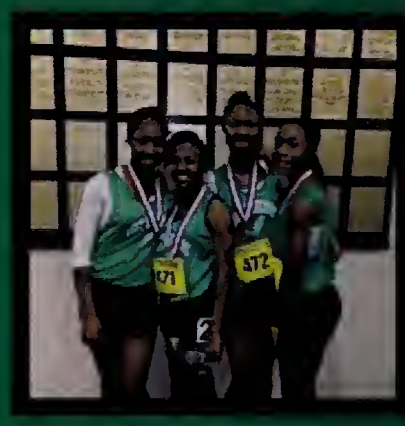
Boys Baseball

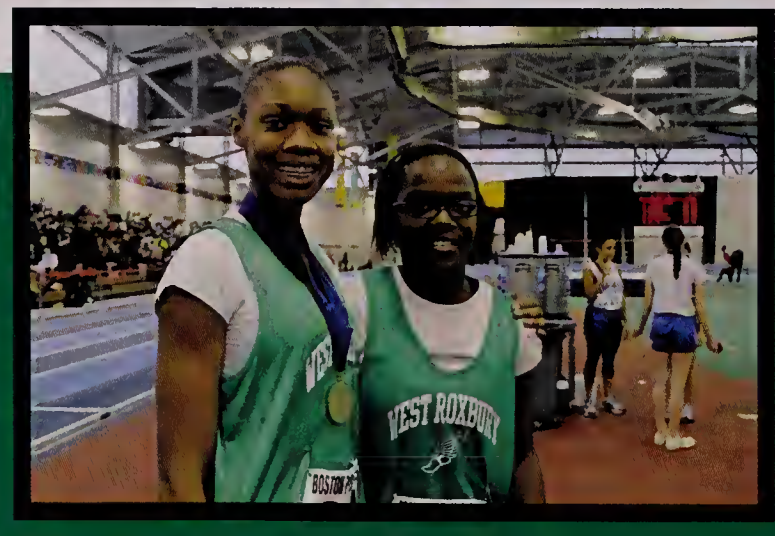
Coach Wilson said, "I'm very excited about the upcoming season. It will be a new and young team, and hopefully it will be competitive."

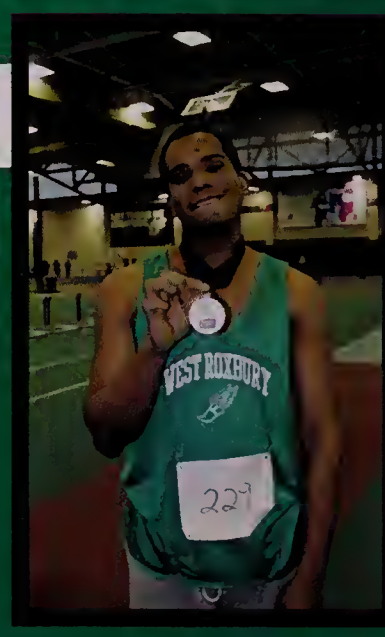
INDOOR TRACK



Ms. Ripston
Coach







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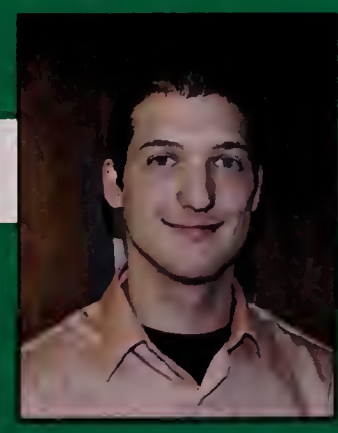


Mr. Genatosio
Coach

FOOTBALL

Coaching Staff

Derek S. Wright Kirk Womack Adilson Cardoso Scott Gezsler

Players

Erik Fitzgerald
David Bertucci
Franzy Joseph
Mark Simon
Ruel Delarosa
Jovan Johnson
Raymond Tejeda
Michael Obianigwe
Demetrius Thomas
Evyn Gregorio
Andre Smith
Nikkel Stotts
Kyri Heath
Aaron Whtiehead
Alejandro Lopez
Izaiah Morales
Nathan Wright
Robert Hill
Brian Barros
Wilver Rodriguez
Pedro Rios
Dimtri Kofides
Kenneth Idusogie
Berthony Henri
David Soto
Raymond Coxlong
Dennis Wright
Tevyn Wynter

BASKETBALL

Mr. Somers
Coach

West Roxbury Raiders

WEST ROXBURY
SPALDING
TF-1000

BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE
CHAMPIONS
HOME
GUEST
PERIOD
FOUL
PLAYER
FOULS
SCORE
MATCH
GIRLS BASKETBALL
LEAGUE
CHAMPIONS
GIRLS BASKETBALL
CITY OF BOSTON
CHAMPIONS
ALL-STATE
CHAMPIONS
WEST ROXBURY
BASKETBALL

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Mr. Clemente
Coach

ALL-STAR BASKETBALL

Deven Robinson and Marissa Serrette
Represented West Roxbury at the Boston City League All-star Basketball game!

SOCCER

GIRLS SOCCER

Coach: Dr. Edner Cayemite

Players:

Liz Lewis
Mackala McPherson
Zakisha Horton
Heather Nunes
Ashely
Brianna
Kianna
Vanessa Duran
Yanel
Marianny
Nedji
Aryianna
Monique McPherson
Cyanna Taylor
Kata
Jennifer
Kripa
Ina
Michelle McPherson
Princess
Hiba
Hermine Francios
Kawtor
Alejandra

BOYS SOCCER

Coach: Dan McDonald

Players:

Julio GarciaLynford Harris
MyKenley Gentillon
Erdi Kembora
Mahmoud Hayek
Ricarfens Saintil
Sayfoulaye Ba
Sloane RiViere
Richter Mirville
Emmanuel JeanCharles
Hygert (Gerti)
HaluliShayne Matthews
Ravidson Ramos
Rodler Ulysse
Wider Mirville
Djimy Frantzdy Polynice
Masinio Pierre
Laert Dibranaj
Mahmoud Hilowle
Murphy Charleus

MY FAVORITE THINGS

NAME _____

AGE _____ GRADE _____

EMAIL _____

FAVORITE SUMMER THING IS:
- ☐ CAMP
- ☐ BEACH
- ☐ SLEEPING 'TIL NOON

MY BFF:

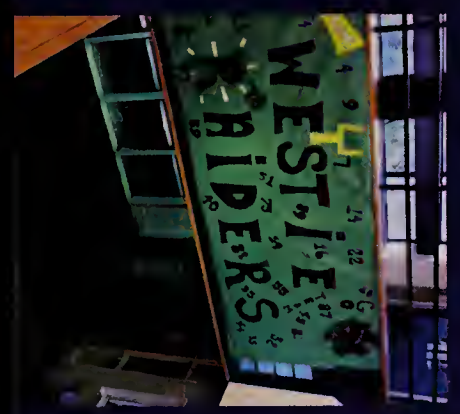
WHAT DO I LIKE...

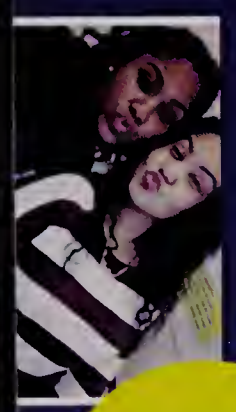
- MY FAVORITE SINGER:
- MY FAVORITE LUNCH SPOT:
- MY FAVORITE ACTOR:
- MY FAVORITE ACTRESS:
- MY FAVORITE TV SHOW:
- MY FAVORITE MOVIE:
- MY FAVORITE BOOK:

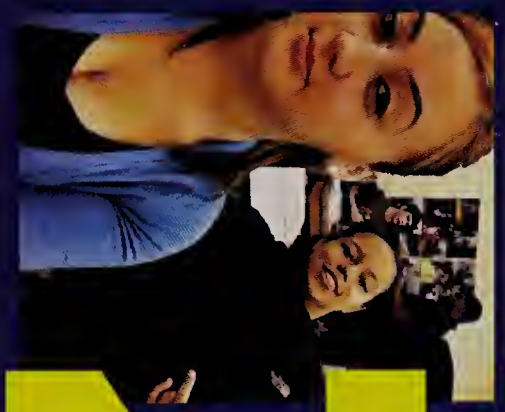
FAVORITE SUBJECT IS:
- ☐ MATH
- ☐ SCIENCE
- ☐ READING
- ☐ ART
- ☐ HISTORY
- ☐ BAND
- ☐ COMPUTER
- ☐ DRAMA
- ☐ GYM

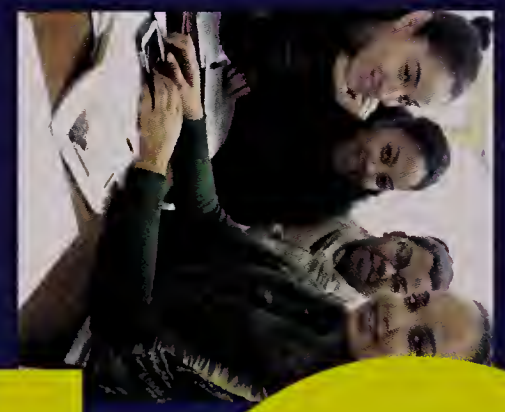
COOLEST WEBSITE:

FAVORITE QUOTE:









SENIORS

CLASS OF 2013

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WRA STRONG!

2013

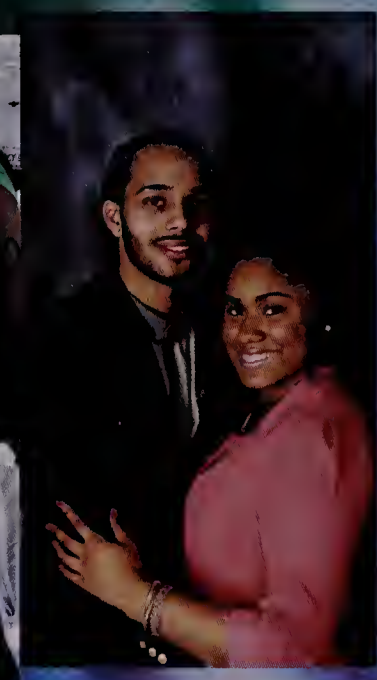
BEST FRIENDS

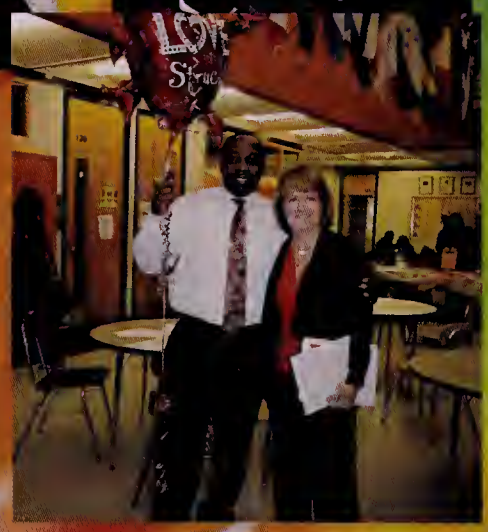
"The truth is, everyone is going to hurt you.
You just got to find the ones worth suffering for."
Bob Marley

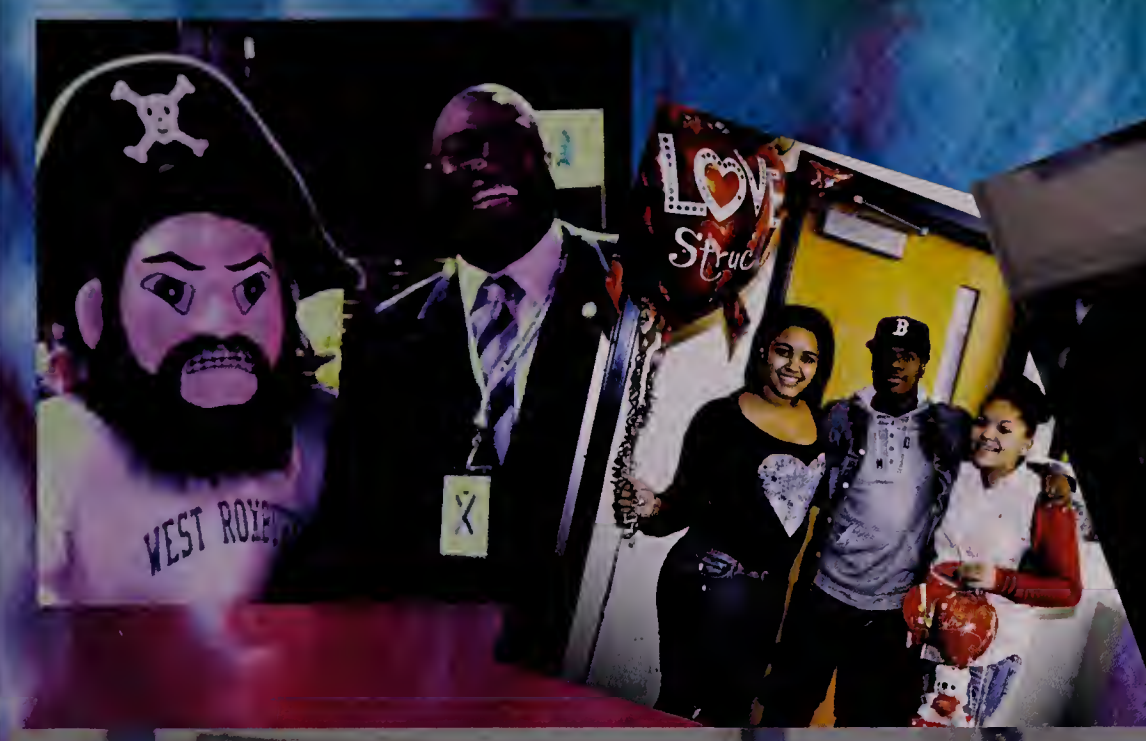
FOREVER!

"Friendship is born at that moment when one person says to another: "What! You too? I thought I was the only one."
C.S. Lewis

RED SOX



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Struck

SENIORS

LOUDEST
CATHERINE LOPES
ALEJANDRO LOPEZ

BEST DRESSED
ASTRID PENA
KENNY NGUYEN

BEST EYES
TANYA LOZADA
ELIAS RICHA

MOST FLIRTATIOUS
ERICA VILLAREYNA
LEWIS CRESPO

LIKELY TO BE FAMOUS
SHAKAIRA ELIE
SHAWN MORRIS

MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT
JOANA MARTINS-TABORA
BRUCE SOTO

BEST SMILE

CAROLINA FELIZ
KENNY NGUYEN

CLASS CLOWN

GIANA GARCIA
ALAIN FRANCOIS

CUTEST COUPLE

SELENA GONZALEZ
LUIS CAPRILES

MOST ATHLETIC

MARISSA SERETTE
ALEJANDRO LOPEZ

MOST OUTGOING

SELENA GONZALEZ
SHAWN MORRIS

MOST CHANGED SINCE 9TH GRADE

SHAKAIRA ELIE
HERNAN MELO

Congratulations a

The West Roxb

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